MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS 1 WINTER STREET BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02108 UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY OFFICE OF ECOSYSTEM PROTECTION REGION I BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02109

JOINT PUBLIC NOTICE OF A DRAFT NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) PERMIT MODIFICATION TO DISCHARGE INTO THE WATERS OF THE UNITED STATES UNDER SECTION 301, 316(a), AND 402 OF THE CLEAN WATER ACT (THE "ACT"), AS AMENDED, AND REQUEST FOR STATE CERTIFICATION UNDER SECTION 401 OF THE ACT.

DATE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: January 18, 2018 – February 16, 2018

PERMIT NUMBER: MA0003697

PUBLIC NOTICE NUMBER: MA-008-18

NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS OF PERMITTEE:

Barnhardt Manufacturing Company P.O. Box 3 Colrain, MA 01340

NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE FACILITY WHERE DISCHARGE OCCURS:

Barnhardt Manufacturing Company 247 Main Road Colrain, MA 01340

RECEIVING WATER: North River (Deerfield River Watershed), Class B water

PREPARATION OF THE DRAFT PERMIT MODIFICATION:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") and the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection ("MassDEP") have cooperated in the development of a draft permit modification for the above identified facility. The effluent limits and permit conditions imposed have been drafted to assure compliance with the Clean Water Act ("CWA"), 33 U.S.C. sections 1251 et seq.,, the Massachusetts Clean Waters Act, G.L. c. 21, §§ 26-53, 314 CMR 3.00 and State Surface Water Quality Standards at 314 CMR 4.00.

INFORMATION ABOUT THE DRAFT PERMIT MODIFICATION:

A fact sheet or a statement of basis (describing the type of facility; type and quantities of wastes; a brief summary of the basis for the draft permit conditions; and significant factual, legal and policy questions considered in preparing this draft permit modification) and the draft permit modification may be obtained at no cost at:

<u>http://www.epa.gov/region1/npdes/draft_permits_listing_ma.html</u> or by writing or calling EPA's contact person named below:

George Papadopoulos, US EPA 5 Post Office Square Suite 100 (OEP 06-1) Boston, MA 02109-3912 Telephone: (617) 918-1579

The administrative record containing all documents relating to this draft permit modification is on file and may be inspected at the EPA Boston office mentioned above between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays.

PUBLIC COMMENT AND REQUEST FOR PUBLIC HEARING:

All persons, including applicants, who believe any condition of this draft permit modification is inappropriate, must raise all issues and submit all available arguments and all supporting material for their arguments in full by February 16, 2018, to the U.S. EPA, George Papadopoulos, 5 Post Office Square, Suite 100, Mailcode OEP 06-1, Boston, Massachusetts 02109-3912. Any person, prior to such date, may submit a request in writing to EPA and the MassDEP for a public hearing to consider this draft permit modification. Such requests shall state the nature of the issues proposed to be raised in the hearing. A public hearing may be held after at least sixty (60) days public notice whenever the Regional Administrator finds that response to this notice indicates significant public interest. In reaching a final decision on this draft permit modification the Regional Administrator will respond to all significant comments and make the responses available to the public at EPA's Boston office.

FINAL PERMIT DECISION AND APPEALS:

Following the close of the comment period, and after a public hearing, if such hearing is held, the Regional Administrator will issue a final permit decision and forward a copy of the final decision to the applicant and each person who has submitted written comments or requested notice. Within 30 days following the notice of the final permit decision any interested person may submit petition to the Environmental Appeals Board to reconsider or contest the final decision.

Lealdon Langley, Director
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